

Amendments to the Claims

Claim 1 (Original): A game apparatus having an indicia selecting means including a rotatable wheel having a plurality of selectable regions, each region associated with playing card indicia, and a means for randomly selecting a selectable region of the wheel; and a wagering area adapted for positioning wagers concerning the indicia associated with the region selected by a single operation of the indicia selecting means.

Claim 2 (Original): The game apparatus according to claim 1 wherein the rotatable wheel is capable of rotation about a substantially vertical axis.

Claim 3 (Currently amended): The game apparatus according to claim ~~1~~^{or 2} wherein the rotatable wheel has 40, 41, 42, 48, 49, 50, 52, 53, 54 or 62 regions.

Claim 4 (Original): The game apparatus according to claim 3 wherein the rotatable wheel has:

- a) 40 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10; or
- b) 40 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, or
- c) 41 regions and therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10 and a single Joker or other wildcard; or

- d) 41 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and a single Joker, Ace or other wildcard; or
- e) 42 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10 and two Joker or other wildcards; or
- f) 42 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 4 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers, or two Aces, or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or
- g) 48 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King; or
- h) 49 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and a single Ace, Joker or other wildcard; or
- i) 50 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or
- j) 52 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King; or
- k) 53 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King; and a single Joker or Ace or other wildcard; or

l) 54 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 1 to 10, and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards; or

m) 62 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to five different suits and two Jokers or other wildcards.

Claim 5 (Original): The game apparatus according to claim 4 wherein the rotatable wheel has 49 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jade, Queen and King, and a single Ace, Joker or other wildcard.

Claim 6 (Original): The game apparatus according to claim 4 wherein the rotatable wheel has 50 regions and playing card indicia associated therewith corresponding to four different suits of the numbers 2 to 10 and Jack, Queen and King, and two Jokers or two Aces or a Joker and an Ace or two other wildcards.

Claims 7-8 (Cancelled).

Claim 9 (Currently amended): The game apparatus according to ~~any one of claims~~claim 1 ~~to 8~~ further Including a means for recording the outcome of one or more previous operations of the indicia selecting means.

Claim 10 (Original): A method of effecting an economic outcome between one or more players and an operator, which method includes using a game apparatus having an indicia selecting means including a rotatable wheel having a plurality of selectable regions, each region associated with playing card indicia, and a means for randomly selecting a selectable region of the wheel; and a wagering area adapted for positioning wagers concerning the indicia associated to the region selected by a single operation of the indicia selecting means, the method including the steps of,

a) a wagering phase wherein each player providing a cash or token wager on the wagering area, the location of wager defining the win or lose conditions of that wager;

b) an operation phase after the wagering phase wherein the rotatable wheel is rotated and a ball is located on a rotating wheel, in a manner capable of randomly selecting a region of the wheel;

c) an outcome phase wherein the ball becomes located on a region of the wheel and thereby selects that region and indicia associated thereto;

d) a result phase after the outcome phase wherein an assessment of each wager of each player is effected by comparing the selected indicia of the wheel to the win or lose conditions of the players wager and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to a result of the comparison.

Claim 11 (Currently amended): The method according to claim 10 when performed using the game apparatus according to ~~any one of claim 1 to 10.~~

Claim 12 (Original): The method according to claim 11 when the results phase includes an assessment as to whether the win or lose conditions of a jackpot wager have been fulfilled and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to the assessment.

Claim 13 (Original): The method of claim 12 wherein the win or lose conditions of the jackpot wager depend on the outcome of up to five consecutive operations of the game apparatus.

Claim 14 (Original): The method of claim 13 wherein the win or lose conditions of the jackpot wager depend on whether the indicia selected by five consecutive operations of the game apparatus are equivalent to predetermined poker hands.

Claim 15 (Original): An electronic game for effecting an economic outcome between a player of the game and the provider of the game, the game including the steps of:

a) a wagering phase wherein the player makes a wager by selecting a location in a wagering area, the location of wager defining the win or lose conditions of that wager;

b) an operation phase after the wagering phase wherein the player is electronically displayed a rotating wheel having a plurality of selectable

regions, each region associated with playing card indicia, and a ball located on a rotating wheel for identifying a randomly selecting a region of the wheel;

c) an outcome phase wherein the ball is displayed located on a randomly selected region of the wheel, to thereby display to the player the selected region and indicia associated thereto;

d) a result phase after the outcome phase wherein an assessment of each wager of the player is effected by comparing the selected indicia of the wheel to the win or lose conditions of the players wager and effecting a payment of cash or tokens in response to a result of the comparison.

Claim 16 (Currently amended): A table adapted for use with the game apparatus of ~~any one of~~
~~claims~~claim 1 to 9, ~~or the method of any one of claim 10 to 14~~, the table including a wagering
area having marked zones for the placement of the wagers having different win and lose
conditions.

Claim 17 (Currently amended): A casino or gambling house that includes game apparatus of
~~any one of the claims~~claim 1 to 9operates a game in accordance with the method of claim 8, or
operates, manages or controls the game operations of the electronic game of claim 15.

Claims 18-19 (Cancelled).